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REMARKS

In reply to the Office Action dated January 27, 2006, Applicants elect with traverse Group I, species I, subspecies I, which includes Claims 1-7, 11-13, 16-24, and 26-43 of which Claims 1-4 and 11-13 are generic. Accordingly, Applicants withdraw dependent Claims 8-10 and 25 subject to the examination of the claims from which they depend. Additionally, Applicants cancel Claims 14-15 and 44-45 without prejudice and specifically reserve the right to file separate divisional applications regarding the non-elected species that regard those Claims.

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